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LETTER DATED 2 JULY 1997 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF LUXEMBOURG TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to bring to your attention the statement issued on 2 July 1997 by the Presidency on behalf of the European Union concerning the peace agreement in Tajikistan.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a Security Council document.

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Annex

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Statement issued on 2 July 1997 by the Presidency on behalf of the European Union concerning the peace agreement in Tajikistan

The European Union welcomes the peace agreement signed in Moscow on 27 June 1997 between the Tajik Government and the United Tajik Opposition.

The European Union hopes that this agreement will constitute a lasting political settlement of the conflict and will mark the start of a new era of political stability and economic prosperity in the history of Tajikistan.

The European Union would unreservedly encourage all the parties in Tajikistan to cooperate with the Commission on national reconciliation in implementing the peace agreement and hopes that the parties will refrain from any action likely to endanger implementation of the peace agreement.

The European Union pays tribute to the States and international organizations which have played a major role in the peace process and would encourage them to continue their efforts to consolidate peace in Tajikistan.